I had an opportunity to talk to Ted about that many years later, and he felt that had he played it "safe" by not playing the last game of the season, his .400 average would have been tainted. "I would have preferred to fail and bat .399 than sit it out," he said.

In my opinion, Ted Williams is a true champion. How do you rate Boggs?

Sam Schifren
Brighton

On topfree trial

Regarding my testimony in the topfree trial on Sept. 17: I said I wanted "to educate and broaden peoples' perspectives about how things *might* be done." This followed my testimony about travel to places where women go topfree without any question or problem — where women, young and old, grandmas and kids, single and in couples, enjoy swimming and the sun on beautiful, clean, civilized beaches of the world.

I was misquoted in your paper on Sept. 17 as saying "how things *should* be done." This careless reporting distorts my testimony and what is, in fact, one of the important issues of the case: that things might and can be done differently from the ways in which some people are presently accustomed.

Kathie Reilly
Rochester

A good outcome

The Iceland "summit" turned out real well. Many of us were afraid that the president would give away the store in Reykjavik, but it was gratifying to see that he stood up to that useless communist Gorbachev and refused to give up the SDI, which we desperately need for the defense of our country.

If we learned anything from this farce in Iceland, we learned that it is not possible to deal with the Reds. They are unreasonable and intransigent and will not meet us half way.

Well, good riddance to them. All they want to do is to eventually put our country under a Marxist-Leninist tyranny, as they have nearly half the world. When they do they will certainly starve millions of us to death just as they starved millions of Ukrainians in the 1930s when they took over that nation. We should forget about trying to negotiate arms control and build up our defenses so that we can defeat them when they attack us.

We have the means and manpower and technology to outrun the Reds, and we should put ourselves vigorously to the task. Otherwise the Russian language and atheistic Marxism will soon be the chief subjects taught in our schools.

Philip M. Willis
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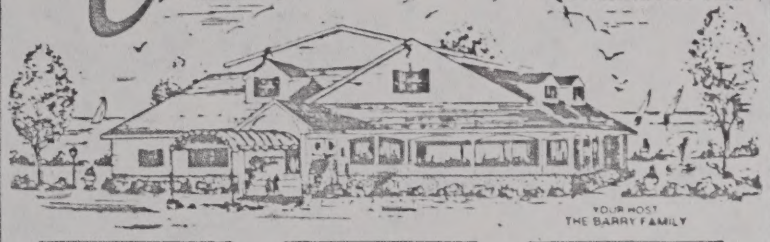

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